



DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Food and Drug Administration  
Silver Spring MD 20993

NDA 202971/S-006

**SUPPLEMENT APPROVAL**

Otsuka Pharmaceutical Company, Ltd.  
c/o Otsuka Pharmaceutical Development & Commercialization, Inc.  
Attention: David Goldberger, RPh, RAC  
Vice President, Global Regulatory Affairs  
2440 Research Boulevard  
Rockville, MD 20850

Dear Mr. Goldberger:

Please refer to your Supplemental New Drug Application (sNDA) dated and received September 30, 2014, submitted under section 505(b) of the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act (FDCA) for Abilify Maintena (aripiprazole) for extended-release injectable suspension, for intramuscular injection 300 mg/vial and 400 mg/vial.

We acknowledge receipt of your amendment(s) dated:

November 13, 2014	December 23, 2014	April 28, 2015	July 27, 2015
November 18, 2014	December 23, 2014	July 14, 2015	July 28, 2015

This “Prior Approval” supplemental new drug application proposes to add an alternate site of administration for Abilify Maintena at the deltoid muscle.

**APPROVAL & LABELING**

We have completed our review of this supplemental application, as amended. It is approved, effective on the date of this letter, for use as recommended in the enclosed, agreed-upon labeling text.

**WAIVER OF HIGHLIGHTS SECTION**

Please note that we have previously granted a waiver of the requirements of 21 CFR 201.57(d)(8) regarding the length of Highlights of prescribing information.

**CONTENT OF LABELING**

As soon as possible, but no later than 14 days from the date of this letter, submit the content of labeling [21 CFR 314.50(l)] in structured product labeling (SPL) format using the FDA automated drug registration and listing system (eLIST), as described at

<http://www.fda.gov/ForIndustry/DataStandards/StructuredProductLabeling/default.htm>. Content of labeling must be identical to the enclosed labeling (text for the package insert, Medication Guide), with the addition of any labeling changes in pending “Changes Being Effectuated” (CBE) supplements, as well as annual reportable changes not included in the enclosed labeling.

Information on submitting SPL files using eList may be found in the guidance for industry titled “SPL Standard for Content of Labeling Technical Qs and As at <http://www.fda.gov/downloads/DrugsGuidanceComplianceRegulatoryInformation/Guidances/UCM072392.pdf>

The SPL will be accessible from publicly available labeling repositories.

Also within 14 days, amend all pending supplemental applications that includes labeling changes for this NDA, including CBE supplements for which FDA has not yet issued an action letter, with the content of labeling [21 CFR 314.50(l)(1)(i)] in MS Word format, that includes the changes approved in this supplemental application, as well as annual reportable changes and annotate each change. To facilitate review of your submission, provide a highlighted or marked-up copy that shows all changes, as well as a clean Microsoft Word version. The marked-up copy should provide appropriate annotations, including supplement number(s) and annual report date(s).

### **CARTON AND IMMEDIATE CONTAINER LABELS**

We acknowledge your July 27, 2015, submission containing final printed carton and container labels.

### **PROMOTIONAL MATERIALS**

You may request advisory comments on proposed introductory advertising and promotional labeling. To do so, submit the following, in triplicate, (1) a cover letter requesting advisory comments, (2) the proposed materials in draft or mock-up form with annotated references, and (3) the package insert(s) to:

Food and Drug Administration  
Center for Drug Evaluation and Research  
Office of Prescription Drug Promotion (OPDP)  
5901-B Ammendale Road  
Beltsville, MD 20705-1266

You must submit final promotional materials and package insert(s), accompanied by a Form FDA 2253, at the time of initial dissemination or publication [21 CFR 314.81(b)(3)(i)]. Form FDA 2253 is available at

<http://www.fda.gov/downloads/AboutFDA/ReportsManualsForms/Forms/UCM083570.pdf>.

Information and Instructions for completing the form can be found at

<http://www.fda.gov/downloads/AboutFDA/ReportsManualsForms/Forms/UCM375154.pdf>. For

more information about submission of promotional materials to the Office of Prescription Drug Promotion (OPDP), see <http://www.fda.gov/AboutFDA/CentersOffices/CDER/ucm090142.htm>.

## **REPORTING REQUIREMENTS**

We remind you that you must comply with reporting requirements for an approved NDA (21 CFR 314.80 and 314.81).

If you have any questions, please email Simran Parihar, PharmD, Regulatory Health Project Manager, at [simran.parihar@fda.hhs.gov](mailto:simran.parihar@fda.hhs.gov).

Sincerely,

*{See appended electronic signature page}*

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Center for Drug Evaluation and Research

## ENCLOSURES:

Content of Labeling  
Carton and Container Labeling

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07/29/2015